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# News Release

## ICE AGENTS ARREST 11 ILLEGAL ALIENS

RALEIGH-- U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) special agents acting on specific information provided by an ICE Federal Air Marshal arrested 12 citizens of Mexico Tuesday night at Raleigh-Durham International Airport.

Eleven of the aliens, all men, are in the United States illegally and it is suspected that they were smuggled into the United States recently.

The 11 illegal aliens were interviewed and their citizenship was confirmed. Criminal background checks were conducted on them, and they were then detained in the Johnson County (N.C.) jail without bond pending deportation.

The twelfth man is not an illegal alien and was released.

The matter is under investigation.

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